

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants submit that any amendment to the claims herein does not comprise acquiescence or admission that any canceled, amended or supplemented subject matter that existed prior to the amendments herein is not patentable. Applicants reserve the right to pursue claimed subject matter as presented prior to the amendments herein during subsequent prosecution of the present application and in any continuation or related applications.

During the phone interview on October 7, 2010, the Examiner stated that amending the base claims to include the requirements of claim 22 would overcome the cited art and that the Examiner would update the search.

Applicants amend the base claim 1 to include the requirements of claim 22 and similarly amend claims 31 and 41 to include the requirements of claims 38 and 48, respectively, which substantially include the requirements of claim 22. Claims 22, 38, and 48 are canceled.

Applicants amend claims 23 and 24 to depend from claim 1, amend claims 39 and 40 to depend from claim 31, and amend claims 49 and 50 to depend from claim 48

Applicant submit that this amendment to the base claims places claims 1, 31, and 41 and the claims that depend therefrom in condition for allowance for the reasons recognized by the Examiner.

For all the above reasons, Applicant submits that the pending claims 1, 9-14, 23-24, 31-37, 39-47, 49, and 50 are patentable over the art of record. Should any additional fees be required, please charge Deposit Account No. 09-0460.

The attorney of record invites the Examiner to contact him at (310) 553-7977 if the Examiner believes such contact would advance the prosecution of the case.

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